2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 4 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 6 MELVIN NICHOLAS, Case No. 2:23-cv-01749-CDS-NJK 7 Plaintiff(s), **ORDER** 8 v. [Docket No. 5] 9 TMX FINANCE CORPORATE SERVICES, 10 INC., 11 Defendant(s). 12 Pending before the Court is Defendant's motion to transfer this case to the Southern District of Georgia under the first-to-file rule and 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a). Docket No. 5. The motion was filed on October 30, 2023, making the deadline to respond November 13, 2023. See Local Rule 15 7-2(b). Plaintiff did not respond. Accordingly, the motion to transfer is **GRANTED** as 16 unopposed. Local Rule 7-2(d). This action is hereby **TRANSFERRED** to the Southern District 17 of Georgia. 18 IT IS SO ORDERED. 19 Dated: November 14, 2023 20 Nancy J. Koppe United States Magistrate Judge 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 ¹ The undersigned resolves the motion through issuance of an order as it is well-settled that a magistrate judge possesses the authority to decide a motion to transfer. See, e.g., Pavao v. 28 Unifund CCR Partners, 934 F. Supp. 2d 1238, 1241 n.1 (S.D. Cal. 2013) (collecting cases).